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193B—6.6(544A,272C) Decisions. The board shall make findings of fact and conclusions of law and may take one or more of the following actions:

- **6.6(1)** Dismiss the charges.
- **6.6(2)** Revoke the architect's license. In the event of a revocation, the licensee shall not be allowed to remain a partner or shareholder of a business entity if the law requires all partners or shareholders of such entity to be licensed architects.
 - **6.6(3)** Suspend the licensee's license as authorized by law.
- **6.6(4)** Impose civil penalties, the amount which shall be set at the discretion of the board but which shall not exceed \$1000. Civil penalties may be imposed for any of the disciplinary violations specified in Iowa Code sections 544A.13 and 544A.15 and these rules. Factors the board may consider when determining whether to assess civil penalties and the amount to assess include:
 - a. Whether other forms of discipline are being imposed for the same violation.
 - b. Whether the amount imposed will be a substantial deterrent to the violation.
 - c. The circumstances leading to the violation.
 - d. The severity of the violation and the risk of harm to the public.
 - e. The economic benefits gained by the licensee as a result of the violation.
 - f. The interest of the public.
 - g. Evidence of reform or remedial action.
 - h. Time lapsed since the violation occurred.
- *i.* Whether the violation is a repeat offense following a prior cautionary letter, disciplinary order, or other notice of the nature of the infraction.
 - *j*. The clarity of the issues involved.
 - *k.* Whether the violation was willful and intentional.
 - *l.* Whether the licensee acted in bad faith.
 - m. The extent to which the licensee cooperated with the board.
- n. Whether the licensee practiced architecture with a lapsed, inactive, suspended or revoked certificate of licensure.
 - **6.6(5)** Impose a period of probation, either with or without conditions.
- **6.6(6)** Require reexamination, using one or more parts of the examination given to architectural licensee candidates.
 - **6.6(7)** Require additional professional education, reeducation, or continuing education.
 - **6.6(8)** Issue a citation and a warning.
 - **6.6(9)** Issue a consent order.

Voluntary surrender of licensure is considered as disciplinary action. [ARC 3336C, IAB 9/27/17, effective 11/1/17]